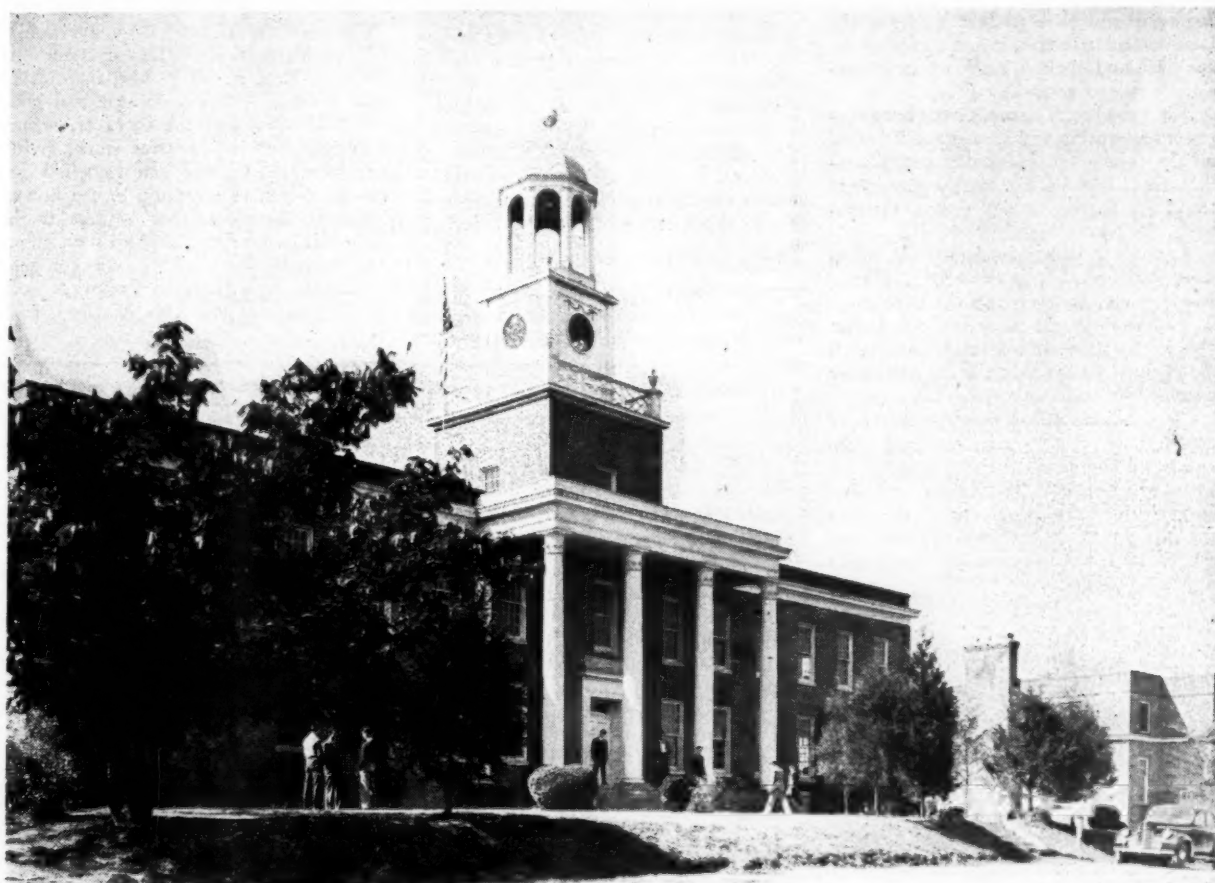




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# NOTICES

From the Field

## District Conventions

Orlando, Fla., district convention, April 5, 6, at Orlando church, Cor. Pine and Parramore Sts. Paul Taylor, district overseer.

Sulphur Springs, Tex., district convention, March 28-30, at Sulphur Springs. O. A. McBride, district overseer.

New Castle, Ind., district convention, April 4-6, at New Castle. G. F. Crank, district overseer.

Meadville, Miss., district convention, March 28-30, at McCall school auditorium. W. L. Sharpe, district overseer.

To the readers and friends of the Evangel of the Northwest:

This is to inform all who are interested that the Northwest Bible and Music Academy will close on March 28 and the Lemmon district convention to follow on the 29th and 30th. We extend an invitation to all to attend.

The Lebanon, Tolstoy, Gettysburg districts convention will convene at Lebanon on the following Wednesday and Thursday, April 2 and 3. For information write to E. H. Ewell, district pastor, Gettysburg, S. Dak.

Another matter of business to be taken care of at this time is the aged ministers' fund. It was agreed on at the state ministers' meeting at Lemmon last fall that this was to be raised not later than March 1 and to all we ask that this be given your careful attention at once.

By this time all of the churches have received the little mission envelope to be filled and taken to the camp meeting for the foreign mission offering. We ask that everyone help in this great work of carrying the gospel to the foreign lands and we can do it by filling the envelopes with dimes. Come on, members of the Church of God in the Northwest, help us to go over the top in this matter. We can do it with your help. To the church bringing the highest offering we will give the state banner, and to the pastor a prize of \$10.00 will be given. Help your pastor to win this award.

Several good revivals are in progress in the two states. Brother Lemuel Johnson of Wahpeton is to begin a revival at Lemmon. Brother J. A. Rafferty is at present in a good meeting at Mobridge. We are looking forward to some meetings at Plaza, Minot, and Mobridge.

Begin now to plan to attend the Northwest camp meeting which is to convene at Minot, N. Dak., June 28-July 6. Watch the Evangel for further announcements.

ments.—D. C. Boatwright, State Overseer.

## Special Notice

"The Finger of God in Prophecy" by W. H. Compton, has been re-

## BIBLE SCHOOL BECOMES COLLEGE

*With the closing exercises of the 1940-1941 term of B. T. S., the school makes a great step of progress. It will continue to make the Bible and its kindred subjects, together with a thorough Christian training, its principal objective, but in addition to these, it becomes a college of liberal arts.*

*The management and faculty are working untiringly to have all necessary preparations made so that the opening of the college will be on schedule September 8 of this year.*

*It is expected that the college will open with a large enrollment, taking all available space.*

*Anyone interested should write to Bible Training School, Sevierville, Tennessee, for catalog and information.*

duced to 35c. This book formerly sold for 50c. The purpose of this book was to further enlighten the people of this

generation of the impending dangers, calamities, and the glorious rapture as told in prophecy and are to come to the earth. The writer, though a young minister, made a studious effort to pen the picture which he has discovered and so offers it to the reading public in "The Finger of God in Prophecy." Please send all orders for this book to Church of God Publishing House, Cleveland, Tennessee.

## Special Notice to Sunday School Superintendents and Secretaries

Your Sunday School literature is ready and should be ordered right away. Many have already ordered to avoid the rush. Don't forget when ordering your literature to include an order for JUNIOR JEWELS, the new Sunday School paper. Testimonies from all parts of the country have come in praising its merits. It is being used by the Intermediates as well as the Juniors.

## Card of Thanks

Rev. J. B. Weeks, of Jesup, Ga., wishes to thank all of those who have sent old Evangel and Lighted Pathways to him for redistribution. The overseer of Georgia, Rev. A. V. Beabe, informs us that Brother Weeks is doing a real good work, that he uses the literature which is sent to him in his street work, giving out Evangel, Lighted Pathways, old discarded Bibles, or anything in the line of religious literature. Our readers might keep this in mind and send all such literature to J. B. Weeks, Jesup, Ga. Let your Evangel and Lighted Pathways keep working after you have finished with them.

# Reports of Revivals

ROCK HILL, S. C.—We are very happy to report we have just closed a great and successful revival here in Rock Hill. Brother R. C. Muncy, evangelist, and Harold Phillips, musician, have proved a real blessing to our church. We feel we have gained some people who will be standing when Jesus comes. The best account I can give is that ten were saved, seven sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, and four added to the church. I believe everybody who attended received a blessing because we had some old time shouting, dancing, singing and altar services. Others received the blessing which will help them to better overcome the enemy of their souls.—C. M. Jenkinson, pastor, Box 701.

BRISTOL, Tenn.—We are glad we can

report victory in Bristol. God has blessed our labors for Him. God has visited us again with His Spirit. God was blessing in our regular services in a great way. Three were saved one Sunday night and three filled with the Holy Ghost the next Sunday night, so we started a revival. Sister Oxendine of Elizabethton, Tenn., was the evangelist. God blessed her efforts. Night after night someone prayed through at almost every service. The meeting ran three weeks. Many were sick with the flu but God gave the victory. Nine were saved, eight sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost and two added to the church. We feel much good was accomplished and the church was edified. Sister Oxendine is a good, consecrated preacher. We certainly appreciate her services here. Pray for us that God will

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# The Case of This Dying World

F. W. LEMONS

What has become of the preachers who only a short time ago declared we were on the threshold of the millennium, would be interesting to learn. A sermon by a fair-weather prophet of a few years ago optimistically recounted the passing of the evils of earth, among which he listed war, so certain was he that the bloody monster would never again show his hideous form. The outlook was bright, he thought, for a thousand years of peace on earth. What a delusion to suppose lasting peace can ever come to a world in which Satan, like a raging lion, roams freely!

That the world is sick at the present time with an ailment more serious than casual "growing pains," no one doubts. Instead of growing gradually better and better, as the optimists claimed, the patient has suffered a telling relapse, from which the intelligentsia are fearful civilization may never recover. The case has been thoroughly diagnosed by able economists, some of whose prognosis are anything but encouraging. Says Harry Elmer Barnes in "Society in Transition," (published before the outbreak of the present war), "We are poised between Utopia and chaos and will move into one or the other fairly soon." We wonder which, but are certain it is not the former.

Quacks, unnumbered, have given their attention to the patient without reserve and their conflicting panaceas have been confidentially prescribed. Prescriptions vary from isolation and non-resistant warfare to proposals of a world dictatorship.

One of the popular cures that receives considerable support is the "Social Gospel," in which the case receives treatment from the mass standpoint. It advocates better homes, better schools and hospitals, more parks and playgrounds. All of these improvements will bless humanity, but do not get at the cause of the malady. Environment cannot be blamed for all the ills of earth, as is claimed by advocates of this group. There were no slums, no crowded streets, and no demand for hospitalization when this disease broke out in Eden. We know this prescription, therefore, will be ineffective. It treats the symptoms rather than the cause.

Education is recommended as a perfect cure by another group. It is believed that when the world is educated out of its superstition, the problem will be solved, that wars will cease, diseases, pestilences, scourges and calamities will then be under control. But the process is long and graduating day far distant. In the meantime the world is in possession of ways and means of destroying itself before the dawn of the perfect day. Even now we are



hopelessly informed that the present war has retarded our progress one hundred fifty years. Thus, if education is the only hope of the world, the present generation is in certain despair. Note that the great powers of destruction—all the abominations of war—are in the hands of the most educated of the day. Sadly enough, education, on the increase for many years, has not given a very good account of its power to make the world better. Notice the following excerpts from a speech by J. Edgar Hoover (delivered at Pittsburgh in 1937):

"We are indeed at a crisis in the matter of crime. The question arises whether society shall control the criminals, or whether the criminals shall control society." \* \* \* "Crime is not lessening; it is distinctly increasing." \* \* \* "The true proportions of the octopus of the underworld were portrayed with the shocking realization that every twenty-four seconds throughout the day and night, week after week, and month after month, unremittently someone was being robbed, someone was being assaulted, someone was being plundered or attacked, or murdered; and that there was a death by criminal violence in the United States every forty minutes."

In spite of all our efforts to effect a cure, the world is now experiencing its most violent convulsion. We should know by now that sociology, education, legislation, or any other proposition of man, however commendable, will never rid the world of war, bloodshed, crime and disease. The cause is too deep rooted. The world will never be safe as long as hate,

greed and lust foment and fester in the hearts of men.

Our patient, however, has not been without the care of an able physician. Two thousand years ago the great Physician came, although uninvited, examined the case and provided healing balm. His all-seeing eye discerned that the cause was one of the individual, and recommended that it be treated locally. "For from within, out of the heart of men proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. All these things come from within, and defile the man." Mark 7:21-23. Many have refused His treatment, "But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God." John 1:12. They were healed.

In an article in the Reader's Digest, "Why I Don't Go to Church," Channing Pollock suggests, "The need is for fundamental and universal truths, expressed in the new terms of each generation." It is of the fundamentals however that he complains. Regardless of the "new terms," it is fundamentally true that something is wrong in the world. That something is in the heart of man and is sin. The universal fundamental is the problem of the individual soul and its relationship with God and is the same in every generation. A soul out of harmony with God needs the message of the Great Physician as truly today as they of the time of Christ needed it. He provides for a universal cure, but the cure is optional and open to "whosoever will."

Jesus gave out no optimistic hopes for the world at large. Like many sick people today who ignore the physician's orders, the world has always set Him aside for the glamorous ideals of "blind leaders." The world was not converted by His preaching. They paid their respect to Him at Calvary by crucifying Him between thieves. But before He died He said of those who had accepted Him and His salvation, "They are not of the world." In His famous prayer of John 17, He said, "I pray not for the world." The world and the world order is doomed.

Contrary to the fair prophecies of the day, He gave no indication that the world should ever recover from its deadly malady. Men should not be condemned for attempting to improve the conditions of a world so troubled as ours. Our only censure is that they nobly attempt to redeem the social order without redeeming souls from sin. Certain disappointment awaits all who make this colossal blunder. Did not the Master say, "Iniquity shall

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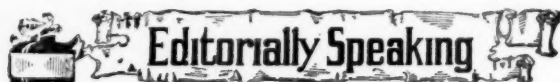
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**This is That** IN the past few years when so many things out of the ordinary have been happening all over the world, there has been a special revival of pseudo prophets with fanatical prophetic interpretations relative to the antichrist, who he is, when he shall appear, and also identifying his reign with many of the things which have been happening in the political world. The question immediately arises, Does this show that those who are so busily engaged with such interpretations are close to God, or that they have a special understanding above others, or that their scholarship is superior to their fellows? If we were asked to analyze and give answers to these questions, we would certainly be glad to do so on this wise:

There is a great difference in the Old Testament administration and the New Testament. In the Old Testament God talked to Israel as a kingdom and in dealing with her it became necessary that His words relative to her future should be explained in the light of what other kingdoms also would do. Therefore the prophecy which affected not only individual life but also national life for ages to come was uttered with the final climax of Israel's reign during the millennium. This being true, it was necessary that the Old Testament prophet should be a foreteller, picturing out that which was to befall Israel as a nation, and of her final acceptance by the Lord in the end, after her time of great trouble. The New Testament prophet was not designated as a foreteller but rather as a forthteller for after Jesus had come to His own (the Jews) and they received Him not, His disciples who had so faithfully followed Him were commissioned to "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Matt. 28:19, 20.

The words which Jesus had commanded them is clearly disclosed in His commission in Mark 16:15, "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every

creature." Thus are we made to understand that the commission of Jesus was to preach a salvation to every individual for the verses following thoroughly explain that this gospel is the gospel of salvation, so the New Testament prophet becomes a forthteller, a declarer of the gospel of the Son of God which Paul declares is the power of God unto salvation to every one who believes it. The Old Testament then, dealing with nations and kings by way of prophecy, did not give the names of those kings and particularly the one who is styled as the antichrist which was to reign in the latter days, though it could have been done by the same God who knew that these things would transpire and certainly knew the personalities that would have charge of them. But it seems to have been unimportant, at least not of enough importance that God gave them, so why should men pry into those things, applying and misapplying scriptures to enthrone Hitler, Stalin, or Mussolini as the antichrist?

The Word of God is true and the Word of God will come to pass and God's will in us should be our concern. The student of prophecy can better display his knowledge by knowing when a thing comes to pass what it is than by making prophetic utterances as to what will come to pass. It was this qualification that distinguished Peter as a student of prophecy. When the power of God fell on the day of Pentecost and the people were baptized in the Holy Ghost, he was able to say, "This is that which was written." It must also be remembered that constantly Jesus used similar expressions in identifying happenings with Biblical prophecy.

After this war is over and treaties have been signed, there may be many of the bright prophetic stars of today lacking in brilliance or even failing to shine altogether. The terrible defeats which have been administered to Italy by Greece and Britain have already dimmed the brilliance of many of them who proclaimed Mussolini as the antichrist. It is better to be a forthteller than a foreteller and especially so if the Spirit of God is not backing the utterance.

**The Ruining of Ruins** Regardless of one's political or religious faith, there is a great interest in the affairs of Europe and Asia at this present time, and the way the different nations who are engaged in warfare are classed from a standpoint of religious history, and not only those of the warring

nations but others who are in all probability to be included in the near future. Many of the sacred shrines of religion in Great Britain have been left in complete ruin but the shrines of religion or Christianity in Great Britain do not date back near so far as they do in some of the other countries. When one thinks of Greece and especially Athens, if he is at all religiously inclined, he thinks of the wonderful discourse delivered by Paul the apostle from Mars Hill; he thinks of the conversion of Dionysius, the Areopagite, a member of the highest Greek tribunal of that day; he thinks of the ruins of Corinth and of the old Byzantine ruins of Saloniki. He can't help but think of the wonderful churches which were located in Greece, and especially the one to which Paul wrote at Saloniki (or Thessalonica as it was then), and then across the Dardanelles in that country that is threatened, even Turkey, for Turkey was the birthplace and boyhood home of Paul the great apostle.

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## GREAT REPORTS IN THIS ISSUE

### Have You Read Them?

*A Sunday school increases 300% over last year.*

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*A nice offering of \$220.60 is given for the orphans.*

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*Church with one hundred members gains 90% in membership over last year, after counting out transfers and exclusions.*

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*Church distributes 100 Evangelists weekly.*

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*Church in mission field has beautiful building.*

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*A mission pastor of one of our best churches in Mexico weds.*

# Be a Man

O. W. THOMAS

Text, 1 Kings 2:2: "I go the way of all the earth: be thou strong therefore, and shew thyself a man."

These words are the message, in part, of the man of God, King David, just before he parted this life, unto his son Solomon.

When we look at this subject from a scriptural standpoint we find that it means much more than a human being, and adult male of the human species.

When God made man, he said, "Let us make MAN in our image, after our likeness . . . So God created MAN in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them," Gen. 1:26, 27.

Thus God made man, a pure man, a real godly MAN. But in order for MAN to retain his manhood he must live by the Word of God. God's Word is the word of life. Jesus said in Matt. 4:4, "It is written, MAN shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

When Adam failed to keep the Word of God, he fell from his real manhood, lost his home in Eden and his life.

Then God at once began to bring about a plan to redeem His creatures from the fall, and finally sent another MAN, the second MAN Adam, to do this great work of redemption. Seeing that the first man fell (because he was weak, made of the dust of the ground), God sent another MAN Adam from heaven to redeem fallen humanity, and to make it possible for us to be a MAN.

The difference in these two Adams is explained in 1 Cor. 15:47, "The first MAN is of the earth, earthy: the second MAN is the Lord from heaven."

V. 45 reads, "And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit."

The first Adam was weak, made of the dust of the ground, and the enemy overcame him. The second Adam was the Lord from heaven, made a quickening spirit.

The same enemy that tried the first Adam also tried this second Adam. But thank God, He is the Lord from heaven, the Rock that the devil couldn't break, a sure Foundation. Whosoever believeth in him shall not be confounded. Matt. 4 tells just how this second Adam overcame the devil, and by so doing made it possible for every one of us to overcome the devil and be a MAN.

He said He would give us power to cast out devils in His name, and give us power to tread on serpents.

According to the great mass of fallen humanity today, we don't have many

who show themselves to be MEN. It really means something to be a MAN. Look at your example, the second man Adam. Behold your King! He is your example in works of righteousness and true holiness.

It is indeed astonishing to see such a small number of men today who are really serving God.

Gentlemen, did you ever notice how many more of the servants of God we have of the female sex than of the men? And yet many a husband and father feels that he is something great, when in reality he has only let the devil make a fool of him, while his good little wife serves and worships God and keeps the church work going.

The Word of God teaches that the husband is the head of the house. Head? Yes, the head of the house, and this means that he should take the lead in the service of God in the home and in the church.

Shame on the husband that will laze around and serve the devil, while his good wife takes the lead, serves God, and keeps the fires burning in the church.

It seems that most men think they are wiser than the women, but the Word of God says the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, so the only way for you to be the head is to be a MAN.

Another pitiful sight to behold, is to see a husband, and possibly he's a church member, who desires to be a MAN but it happens to him as Paul said, "When I would do good evil is present with me," and he is so badly henpecked he just can't do one thing in the church or out of it, without her consent. He can't go to church, he can't bring anyone home with him from church, he can't give anything in the offering, and just can't pay his tithes at all, except wife says he can do so. I have known some husbands to work regularly, earn good wages, while their companions would lay around the pay window all day to take up every cent they made as soon as it came into the pay office, to keep them from paying tithes. A man who will show himself to be henpecked in such a manner, is no MAN and never can be, so long as he takes the dictations from his companion in preference to what GOD says.

Yes! no doubt Adam loved his wife, and she ate the fruit and gave to him, and he did eat. We can't love our wives better than we love God. If we do, we will never be a MAN. Samson was a MAN until he let his wife come between him and his God. King David was a MAN after God's own heart, until he fell too much in love with a woman and lost his MANHOOD. Solomon, the great wise MAN, who got his wisdom in an-

swer to prayer, had many wives, who turned his heart away from the true God. 1 Kings 11:2, " . . . Solomon clave unto these in love." V. 4, " . . . his wives turned away his heart after other gods."

Ananias, a member of the New Testament Church, agreed with his wife to lie to the Holy Ghost and to keep back a part of the money which was supposed to be the Lord's money. He didn't only lose his MANHOOD but also lost his life.

We need in our ranks today those who will put God first in everything, men with a determination to obey God, uncompromisingly, with a backbone like a whale, to face a frowning world, to hold up the MAN Christ Jesus.

May God help every one who desires to serve God to be encouraged to leave the world, sin, and the devil all behind, and to keep our hearts and ears open to the word of God, and be a MAN.

## THE FAMILY ALTAR

MRS. LINDSAY DAVIS

Happy are the home-makers who have heard the call to "Go up, rear an altar unto the Lord" (2 Sam. 24:18) in their homes, and can say, "We have an altar" (Heb. 13:10). Those people know the secret of a happy home, for truly the family altar is the glory of the home. Many times since my marriage, I have marvelled at the faithfulness of my husband at the family altar, always ready at break of day to thank God for His watchcare over us during the night, and at eventide again thanking Him for His protection and grace for the day. "Family-prayer" time seemed to be the supreme joy of our existence. And yet, only recently did I learn fully the glory of the family altar.

I presume in some respects I was an enigma, both to myself and friends. I had been saved (and no doubt of it) for approximately eighteen years, and had been a member of the Church of God for more than five years, but not once during all that time could I truthfully say I was hungry enough for the Holy Ghost to be able to pray for it. It just seemed to be something beyond me! And I could not help but wonder and worry about it at times, for I knew it was right. And then Sister Dovie Coats and Sister Iredell Walker came to town!

On the night of February 12, 1941, husband and I returned home from services as usual, with no other thought (in my mind, at least) than to have "family prayer" and retire. Praying for the Holy Ghost at that particular time was farthest from my thoughts! And then—like a bolt from a clear sky, my husband said: "Ruth, would you not like to have the

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# Obituaries

## NEAL

Little Fred Mitchel, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Neal, departed this life Feb. 6, 1941; age one year and six months.—B. S. Prescott, McMinnville, Tenn.

## SMITH

John Buford Smith, a member of the Church of God, was born Oct. 21, 1927, and departed this life Jan. 4, 1941; age thirteen years, two months and three days.—Mr. and Mrs. Dock R. Smith, Melrose, N. Mex.

## HUGHES

W. H. Hughes, a charter member of the Church of God, departed this life Jan. 25, 1941; age fifty-seven years.—His wife, Nora Hughes, 517 Peach St., Abilene, Tex.

## DAVIS

Lloyd Norris Davis was born Oct. 28, 1934, and instantly killed by a school truck Feb. 14, 1941; age six years, three months and seventeen days. Pray for God to comfort our hearts.—His grandmother, Mrs. Lela Davis, Sugar Valley, Ga.

## BELK

Brother J. Troy Belk, faithful member and clerk of the Church of God at Lando, S. C., went to be with Jesus Jan. 26, 1941; age thirty-four years, eleven months and fifteen days.—Rev. G. T. Wilson, Spartanburg, S. C.

## ELLIOT

Mrs. Fannie Elliot, wife of Brother George Elliot, departed this life Feb. 28, 1941; age sixty years, two weeks and three days.—Jessie L. Wilson, Rt. 2, Fyffe, Ala.

## HOWINGTON

Ninever Howington, a faithful member of the Church of God at Buford, Ga., departed this life Feb. 25, 1941; age fifty-eight years. At the time of his death he was residing with his son in Detroit, Mich.—His pastor, G. S. Scott, Buford, Ga.

## HERSEY

Brother Bill Hersey of Zion Chapel was called home Jan. 22, 1941; age seventy-five years.—Mrs. Myrtice Wolfe, Nicholls, Ga.

## EDITORIALS

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Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, which is now

eastern Turkey but then a free Roman city, was the home of which he boasted. Long before the countries which threatened these ever knew anything about God, old time religion was preached in these countries. Shrines left from the seven churches in Asia, together with other landmarks, stand as their monuments. Will these old ruins be again ruined and plundered?

## Needs Prayer

RED SPRINGS, N. C.—Dear Friends, I wrote some time ago and asked for prayer for my eleven-year-old son who had rheumatism in his legs. He was so he could hardly walk; he had to hold to something to get about, but thank God, he is so he can walk again. He still suffers some with his legs but I am so thankful to God that he can walk around again. I prayed for him and I have asked the prayers of many good people. I promised the Lord if He would heal

him I would testify of it.

Oh, how good it is that we have a dear loving Father to go to. I have had a lot of trouble. My husband has been in bad health and his mind has been bad for eight years or more, and I have to work hard. My oldest child died three years ago. My little girl is sick with something like flu. Please pray for her and my husband that they may get well.

I surely thank all who prayed for my little boy. I don't have any way to go to church but have a radio and hear a lot of good sermons. I wish I had a way to go to church and take my children for I want to raise them to go to church.

Please pray for us that when life on earth is ended we will be ready to meet Jesus.—A friend, Mrs. A. R. Livingston, Rt. 1, Box 114.

## SPECIAL TELEGRAM

Bluefield district convention a success. \$102.00 mission offering.—W. E. Johnson, overseer of Virginia.

## New Cash-Coupon Rates Until June 30, 1941

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10-lb. Carton ..... 5  
12-lb. Bag ..... 6  
20-lb. Bag ..... 10  
24-lb. Bag ..... 12  
48-lb. Bag ..... 24

BALLARD'S Pancake Flour ..... 1  
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Coupons are also packed with BALLARD'S Insurance and Guardian Feeds

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OCTAGON Soap—Regular Size ..... 1  
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OCTAGON Soap Powder—Special Size ..... 1/2  
OCTAGON Cleanser ..... 1  
OCTAGON Soap Flakes—Small Size ..... 1  
OCTAGON Soap Flakes—Large Size ..... 3

## Dear Pastors:

Undoubtedly you have recently received an envelope containing information concerning the latest drive for collecting coupons for our orphanage, also suggestions and helps for putting the drive over.

We believe by putting this material in the hands of you faithful pastors you will see that it reaches some good church worker, who will assist you in putting the drive over in your church.

All coupons collected should reach our office not later than June 15, which will give us 15 days to count them and mail them to the Company, before the drive closes.

## CHURCH OF GOD ORPHANAGE

Cleveland, Tennessee





# Foreign Missions



ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board



*Our beautiful church building in the city of Santa Rosa, State of Vera Cruz, Mexico. The Rev. Fredrick is the pastor.*



*Brother Fredrick and wife who were just married by Brother Ruesga. Brother Fredrick is pastor of the church at Santa Rosa in the State of Vera Cruz.*

## **From Kingston, Jam., B. W. I.**

Dear Evangel, I am one of your new members and as I read your lovely reports from the field and how far you travel on land and over sea, I thought it best for you to carry this little message for me. There may be some of my friends whom

I have met that will be glad to know I am now a member of this great united body. I became a member of the Church of God about a year ago and up to this time I have no regrets. I have just returned from Barbados—St. Vincent, my new field. I am asking my Christian friends and brethren in Baltimore, Maryland, Washington, D. C., and the states of Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and North Carolina, to write me a letter of encouragement as soon as you read this, please. I shall be glad to hear from you.—Yours in the Master's service, Evangelist L. W. Green.

## **Reception Service in Barbados**

Minutes of our reception service held on Wednesday, January 22, at 7:00 p. m. This service began with the singing of some real soul-inspiring choruses until the ministers—our state overseer, Bishop J. B. Winter, Rev. C. N. Forde, Elders C. A. Lewis, H. W. Parris, and B. Crawford, evangelists R. B. Hawkins, A. Green, and L. Mings, Deacon R. Williams, Brothers C. B. Mings, Sisters G. Marshall and B. Jordan—had taken their seats on the platform and the scheduled time for opening came. The entire congregation then stood and solemnly sang "O God, Our Help in Ages Past." This song was followed by a most earnest prayer by Elder H. W. Parris imploring the guidance

and protection of God on the service. The congregation again stood and the choir marched to their seats singing as they went "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," followed by "Sweet Spirit of Christ" as Evangelist Hawkins led us in a second prayer.

Evangelist A. Green was then called on to preside as chairlady for the evening. She first led us in a most beautiful song service. This was followed by some stirring scripture quotations by the audience. The choir sang another song, then came the important part of this service. It was turned over to Bishop J. B. Winter who most beautifully performed the reception. He first introduced himself as the representative of the board of the New Testament Church of God for this state, then gave to us a short history of this wonderful work which has a total of 83,552 members and its headquarters in Cleveland, Tennessee. Elder H. W. Parris was then called on to read some of the minutes from the last business meeting of the board and our overseer continued by reviewing and explaining the doctrines and principal statements of the board. The congregation stood and with raised hands and made-up minds pledged their allegiance to abide by the rules. Our overseer then concluded by most solemnly and reverently receiving us into fellowship with the New Testament Church of God. This reception was closed with an earnest prayer to God by the Rev. C. N. Forde.

After the reception the whole church heartily sang "We Are Going Up" and "We're Running Up the Shining Way" from hearts that were too happy for words to express. Another selection was then rendered by the choir followed by an eloquent address from Rev. Forde in reference to the time of his first meeting with Evangelist Hawkins and their comradeship ever after. This address was followed by one from Evangelist Hawkins making mention of the departure of Elder C. A. Lewis from the island which was soon to take place. Another chorus was sung and the offerings on behalf of our Elder Lewis was taken and blessed by Brother C. B. Mings. This was followed by a mixed quartet composed of four of our choristers. After these things Evangelist L. Mings was selected to introduce

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# LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

*An Interpretation of Current Events in the Light of Holy Prophecy*

*"Now, learn a parable of the fig tree: when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh." Matt. 24:32.*

By JUDGE SULLIVAN

Much is being said in these past few days concerning the very real and genuine hunger of the peoples in those nations now conquered by Hitler. Former Pres. Herbert Hoover had requested the British Government to allow American shipments to go to those unfortunate peoples through their strict blockades. The request was pre-emptorily denied. The British argument is that any foodstuff shipped to the conquered countries is, per se, an aid to Hitler. Daily newspapers, the radio commentators, news magazines, etc., are talking about this very evident problem. TIME last week said the following: "Rationing in both occupied and unoccupied France was already tightened to the limit. With his daily food card a Frenchman could buy only half a loaf of bread, a chunk of meat the size of a half-dollar, a few crumbs of cheese, enough potatoes for five slices, if fried (and if he had something to fry them in), less than enough sugar to sweeten a cup of obtainable coffee, less than enough butter to fry an egg (if he could find one). Foods on the unrationed list had virtually disappeared and were obtainable only in small quantity by the wealthy. Dietitians agree that it takes 3,000 calories a day to feed a 150-pound man adequately, 4,000 if he is a laborer. The victuals allowed on the ration card provided 950 calories. Nutrition experts grimly watched France lose its health, forecast increases of tuberculosis and influenza." Remember the words of Jesus in Matt. 24? He said "FAMINE." Some say it is attributable to the war. One gives this reason and another reason for the present hunger. Regardless of the cause, the words of the Son of God are true. "FAMINES!"

The following excerpt from a news article is very timely: "The arithmetic that Hitler has taught the Jews in the Third Reich has been misery of subtraction. From all of them he has taken something: privileges, property, home, life. Simplest subtraction has been the decrease of the Reich's Jewish population by emigration, deportation and death. Currently: In Germany—500,000 Jews, minus 310,000 equals 190,000. In Austria—180,000 Jews minus 135,000 Jews equals 45,000. In Czechoslovakia—

185,000 Jews minus 25,000 equals 160,000. Within the last ten days two sardine-packed trains left Vienna, as the nazis applied themselves again to this problem. Aboard each were more than 1,000 Jews bound for Limbo—the new barbed wire ghetto near Lublin in Poland. Elsewhere sealed trains cross the border with more Jews for the starved concentration camps of unoccupied France. From Vienna alone the nazis promised to dump five to twelve more trainloads a month. Hitler's final solution to his problem in subtraction is zero, to be reached according to reports from Germany, in just six more weeks." Surely, the Jews have paid and are paying for that awful cry in Pilate's Hall, "Let him be crucified." The Lord is setting His hand the second time to deliver His people. This handwriting is legible enough for the most atheistic person to see the fulfillment of this prophecy.

The so-called "Aid to Britain" bill has become the law of the land. This writer has no quarrel with the sponsors of the measure, knowing full well that the stage must be prepared for the coming of the antichrist. It is the opinion of the writer that the Lord has placed it in the hearts of the rulers, legislators and others in authority, to bring these things to pass. No one individual is to be blamed for this state of affairs. No group may be blamed. It is the fulfillment of divine prophecy. There is very little reason, if any, to hope that this land will escape the bloodshed and terror that envelops most of the world today.

A leading weekly news organ makes the following statement: "Negotiations have almost been completed for 50,000 Jews in Palestine to help Britain in its war against Germany. Principal duty of this group of Hitler-hating soldiers would be to guard the Suez Canal. Purpose of the aid is to receive permission from Britain for 2,000,000 of the Jews in subjugated European countries to settle in Palestine. At the beginning of the war the Jewish Agency for Palestine pledged 'unqualified and unconditioned help' to the British Government in its task of winning

the war. The agency might have driven a bargain but felt that it could not, since the nazis were so clearly the enemies of the Jewish people. Then the Jews settled down to await British government requests." History records these requests. They were readily granted by the Jews in Palestine. Whether Britain grants their request for the 2,000,000 expatriated Jews to return to their homeland, is of small concern. BEAR THIS IN MIND: THE JEWS ARE GOING BACK TO THE LAND OF THEIR FATHERS.

"Seattle, Wash., March 5.—The first blackout test in a major American city will halt night life in this community of nearly 400,000 for fifteen minutes Friday. Defense committee leaders, who have spent weeks in perfecting plans, predicted confidently that hardly a light would be visible when the army and navy planes soar over the approximately 105 square miles of the city's limits. Frank R. Cadman, blackout chairman, has assembled more than 4,000 air raid wardens for duty, in addition to 3,500 civilians who will assist police and fire departments. The warning whistle will be sounded by factory whistles and sirens over every broadcasting station in the city, ten minutes before blackout time. Wardens will order motorists to the curb and house owners will pull down their shades or turn out their lights." This news item sounds insignificant. Has more the idea of a pleasant lark. Its significance, however, is all too real. I fear that blackouts will be the order of the day sooner than we think.

"Washington, March 5.—Information that 1,000,000 Germans in South and Central America are organized secretly for military action and may be used to divert American troops if the United States becomes involved in Europe's war, has been received by the House Committee investigating un-American activities, Martin Dies, Chairman, announced tonight. . . . "The information we received is that Germans in the Third Reich in certain South American coun-

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# THE *Trumpeter*

## BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

### *Sevierville, Tennessee*

### Revival Week Ends With Great Outpouring

Glory to God for one of the greatest revivals in the history of B. T. S.! Revival week began last Sunday night (March 2) with a blessed service, and the great Spirit of God has abode with us wonderfully ever since. Throughout the week there has been such a sweet spirit of love, meekness, and fellowship among the students that God has been able to bless us and to work His will freely.

Each night we gathered early; just a few soul-stirring songs, a few glorious testimonies, a few words of exhortation—no evangelist (in the accepted sense of the word): and the altar flooded. Each night we thought, "This service is the best yet." Each night someone received the Holy Ghost.

So good was the closing service that we students felt that the revival just could not close. During the service, in came a group of students from the prison service overflowing with joy, shouting and dancing up the aisle, eager to tell of the wonderful service at the prison camp, in which eight prisoners were converted. A shout of joy arose the next night when at the hour for service, to the glad surprise of all of us, the church bell rang!

The students almost unanimously acclaim that service as the greatest service they ever were in. If you had been in the upper room on the day of Pentecost, we could give you some idea of the great outpouring we enjoyed. Never before have I seen a congregation so unanimous in shouting, dancing, and praising God: virtually everyone was so blessed. Many shouted who had never shouted before, and there were extraordinary manifestations of the Spirit. During the service, which continued until past four o'clock this morning, seven received the Holy Ghost.

Below are testimonies of some of the

students who received the Holy Ghost during the revival:

I praise God for the baptism of the Holy Ghost which I had been seeking for about nine years. It is joy unspeakable and full of glory!—Clarence P. Savchenko.

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### Announcing the Closing Exercises

The seniors of Bible Training School take great pleasure in announcing the closing exercises, March 26, 27.

#### BACCALAUREATE SERMON

By Brother Joseph Terlizzi

March 23

#### MUSICAL PROGRAM

Wednesday evening, March 26, 7 o'clock

#### COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

By Brother J. H. Walker

#### AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

Thursday, March 27, 10:30 A. M.

#### SENIOR PLAY

Thursday evening, March 27, 7 o'clock

We should like very much to welcome every one of you to these closing exercises, but out of fairness to you we feel that we should inform you that the auditorium will not begin to accommodate the huge crowd expected, and that if you plan to come only for the senior play, we would advise you not to do so. However, we shall welcome heartily all who come, and cooperate with them fully in finding entertainment.

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Words can never express the joy that has been in my soul since I received the Holy Ghost last week. Pray that I will be a blessing as I go into God's service.—Joyce Marlar.

I truly thank God for salvation. I have been seeking the Holy Ghost for one and a half years and thank the Lord for answering prayer.—Robert Lilly.

Glory to God! I praise the Lord this morning for heaven's sweet Holy Ghost that now abides within. I had sought Him for almost two years, but not until this revival did I receive Him. I am so happy this morning! Pray that I will always do God's will.—Myrtle Callis.

Sunday night, March 9, I received the Holy Ghost. The peace, joy, and happiness in my soul cannot be expressed with words.—Winona Jernigan.

I truly thank and praise the Lord for filling me with the Holy Ghost. My desire is to always live close to Him and to be a blessing to others. I desire your prayers.—Anna Belle Jenkins.

I can't find words to express my happiness. The Lord has blessed us in this revival and has given me the Holy Ghost.—Kenneth Perdue.

I thank and praise the Lord for baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. The consecrated students in this school have meant much to me in seeking God.—Alvord Pitts.

Thank God for the Holy Ghost and because I know that I am His and He is mine.—Henry Ellis.

I praise God for this term of Bible School and because He has given me the Holy Ghost. My desire is to be always about my Father's business.—Ruth Childers.

I praise the Lord for blessing my soul and giving me the Holy Ghost.—Geraldine Large.

During this revival I made up my mind that I was going to have the Holy Ghost, because I knew that I was just as capable

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# Requests For Prayer

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Notices of requests for prayer intended for publication on this page should be for healing. Requests will be accepted for those making them for themselves or for their family connection. It is better to make your request specific rather than to include several in one. The Evangel desires to be of the most good to the most people and desires that every inch of its space be used advantageously.

## PRAY FOR—

My healing, I am crippled; the healing of Sister Fannie Collins, Brother Grady Hudson, and Brother Denmark King.—Miss Zola Pearl Hand, c/o A. D. Brinson, Rt. 2, Box 11, Cairo, Ga.

The healing of my body.—Susie Kemp, Rt. 4, Box 478, Atlanta, Ga.

My baby to be healed of what seems to be double pneumonia.—Clyde Holland, Rt. 3, Double Springs, Ala.

My mother who has been sick with rheumatism almost two years to be healed; my family.—Mrs. Emma Passmore, Valde-se, N. C.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. Dora Key, Byington, Tenn.

The healing of my baby of some kind of head trouble.—Mrs. W. A. Pearce, Rt. 4, Baxley, Ga.

The Lord to heal my body, I don't have long to stay here if the Lord doesn't undertake; my soul to be saved.—Shirley Lawson, Naugatuck, W. Va.

Me to be healed of a severe cough.—Mary Lynch, Thomaston, Ga.

The healing of my eyes.—Mrs. Maggie Sharp, Box 63, Oak Hill, Ohio.

The healing of my body. I was struck by a car and my right leg was broken. I have suffered lots since with the gas that I was put to sleep with and other things through my body.—Walter W. Coward, Columbia, S. C.

The healing of my son who was operated on for a bone disease, he is suffering severely.—Mrs. R. R. Pierce, Rt. 2, Gordo, Ala.

The complete healing of my body.—Mrs. Ruby Barns, St. Vincent Hospital, Little Rock, Ark. Home address: 1133 Ohio St., Helena, Ark.

My daughter to be healed of an enlarged gland in her throat, she is in a very serious condition.—Mrs. Alice Hayward, Rt. 3, Hazlehurst, Ga.

The healing of my brother-in-law and

his cousin.—Mrs. Gladys Richards, Rt. 1, Greenwood, W. Va.

Me to be healed of a severe case of sugar diabetes and to receive the Holy Ghost.—Oliver Stewart, Rt. 1, Decatur, Ga.

My little girl to be healed of nettle rash; my sister to be healed of lung trouble. Her address is Mrs. Henry Boatman, Chickamauga, Ga.—Mrs. Zephyr Davis, Rt. 1, Troy, Tenn.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. Nellie Davis, Rt. 1, Cherry Valley, Ark.

My little boy to be healed of a growth on his forehead between his eyes.—Mrs. Sallie Canipe, Toecane, N. C.

The healing of my granddaughter, Ruth McPherson, Rt. 4, Knoxville, Tenn., she suffers so much. My brother-in-law, Joe Hudson, Rt. 3, Talking Rock, Ga., to be healed of heart trouble, he is in a serious condition. My nephew, Parks Simmons, Ducktown, Tenn., to be healed, he had a stroke of paralysis and can't close his left eye.—Mrs. J. D. Hudson, Rt. 2, Adairsville, Ga.

Our baby to be healed of weak nerves and a continual cough; my mother's sister, Mrs. Callie Parks, to be healed.—Floyd Cash, Rt. 4, Knoxville, Tenn.

The healing and saving of my husband; me to be healed of head and back trouble.—Mrs. L. A. Smith, Purvis, Miss.

The healing of Brother Fred Lowe who is very ill.—Levi Henson, pastor, Fonde, Ky.

The Lord to heal my head and body.—Mrs. L. J. Stone, Box 804, Sylva, N. C.

My husband, baby boy, married daughter and grandson.—Mrs. Goldie Suiter, 13 25th St., Huntington, W. Va.

My son, Raymond Moore, to be healed of double pneumonia. He is in the hospital at Gadsden, Ala.—Mrs. W. J. McCain, Rt. 1, Attalla, Ala.

The healing of my body.—W. E. Edwards, Rt. 1, Cherry Valley, Ark.

My uncle who is very sick and not saved to be healed and saved.—Miss Odelene Williams, Lancaster, Tenn.

The complete healing of my body.—Fannie Waters, Apopka, Fla.

The healing of my little ten-year-old boy who is suffering with rheumatism.

—Mrs. Edd Lynchard, Rt. 2, Cleveland, Miss.

Me to be healed of low blood pressure; my daughter to be healed, she has a fleshy tumor on her arm.—Mrs. James Wallace Starks, Hickory Flat, Miss.

The healing of Brother T. D. Bolt's little boy who has something like nerve paralysis.—Zona Thomason.

My brother, Raymond, to be saved and healed, he has a bad affliction in his jaw.—R. O. Symes, Rt. 9, Box 167, Oklahoma City, Okla.

The healing of Sister Waldon, Brother McArley and Mr. Hubert Wilson.—H. L. Kitchen, Kimberly, Ala.

The healing of my family; my aged father to be healed and get the Holy Ghost before he leaves this world.—Pearlie McIntyre, Rt. 1, Box 71, Thomasville, Ala.

God to heal our baby who has been sick since birth.—Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Davis, Clear Creek, W. Va.

## SEVEN-YEAR-OLD BOY RECEIVES FULL SALVATION

BOAZ, Ala.—The Lord saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost when I was just seven years old, one night when mother and dad had gone to church and left us children and a sinner man at home. I tried to get this man to pray with me, but he would not. So I got to praying and God saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost that night. This man went over to my uncle's house and got him and he came and tried to stop me, but he could not for the power of God was on me, making me dance and talk in tongues. I told my uncle I felt good and I surely did. It has been joy unspeakable to me ever since. God has healed me lots of times and I thank Him for it. I am now eleven years old.—Billie Ray Hedgepeth, Rt. 4.

## PRAISE GOD FOR WONDROUS LOVE AND MERCY

CASSIA, Fla.—I praise God for His wondrous love and mercy to me, for saving my soul and filling me with the precious Holy Ghost. I do especially praise Him for healing me of an ulcerated stomach and appendicitis. I had suffered for several days. The doctors could not cure me and I was in despair. I prayed and was prayed for, but I was unable to get complete victory until I received an anointed handkerchief from Brother B. R. Huguen, Atlanta, Ga., several months ago and was instantly healed. I am still healed and praising God for it. I desire the prayers of all the saints that I may be just what He wants me to be.—Sister H. B. Hicks.

# Delkograms

By D. H. DELK

## Golden Text For Lesson 12

Matt. 27:22: "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?"

Pilate was in a difficult place. As the saying goes, he was between a rock and a hard place. Somewhere, sometime, we all are in Pilate's place. Decision must be made, and I thank God for millions who

have made a different decision than that of Pilate.

A firm decision for Christ first is over half the battle or victory.

Difficulties step aside for a man or woman that decides. See Ruth 1: 16-18.

Joshua was not a jellyfish. He had more than a cotton string for a backbone. Your writer mentioned this one night, and one brother asked his wife next morning to please rub his cotton string.

A jellyfish is beautiful in water and shows a light at night but on land he looks like a mass of jelly; they have the dropsy, just drop down.

I hate to see things done by halves. If it be right, do it boldly; if it be wrong, leave it undone. (Gilpin)

When has a man horse sense? Answer—When he can say "nay." When a man can say "No" to all evil he must have had his much needed baptism of common sense. He that cannot decidedly say "no" when tempted to evil is on the highway to ruin. He loses the respect even of those who would tempt him, and becomes but the pliant tool and victim of their evil designs. (Howes)

As you read this think of Pilate—it costs much to decide for Christ, but it costs much more not to.

Sometimes it's dark ahead, but it's always very dark behind.

A double-minded man is wishy-washy, in and out, here and there, up and down, and down more than up. All for the lack of decision, a man once applied to the President for a position with the government. He was asked if he was a Republican, and he says, "No." Then he was asked if he was a Democrat and he says "NO." Then he was asked if he was a Socialist and he said, "No." "Well, what are you then?" And he said, "They call me a straddler back home." A dime a dozen is plenty to pay for straddlers.

A decided and determined soul can do more with a rusty monkey wrench than a loafer can with the tools of a machine shop.

Stumbling stones to the undecided becomes stepping stones to the decided. It is said that Alexander the Great was asked how he conquered the world, and he replied, "By not wavering."

I beseech Carl Changeable and Margaret Indecision to make up their minds, please.

The truest wisdom in general is a resolute determination. (Napoleon)

The prodigal son said, "I will arise and go." Oh, what a reward this determination paid him.

"I can't" never has accomplished anything.

"I will try" has worked wonders.

I saw the picture of a corpse once, underneath which were the words, "Old man Can't is dead. Who killed him? Answer: Can killed him."

I think the CANites should declare war on the CAN'Tites and not stop till they are annihilated.

Every step toward Christ kills a doubt, every thought, word, or deed, for Him carries you away from discouragement. (Cuyler)

God's people should never halt, especially between two opinions. 1 Kings 18: 21.

God doesn't want mixtures. Hosea 7:8, 9.

Ephraim was a cake burned on one side and raw on the other (undesirable food).

He was grey here and there. Grey is not God's color. God's robe of righteousness is white; grey is half black. Grey is also a forerunner of death.

If one of my readers has not decided for Christ, do so at once, and let's pray for God to give us the spirit of the ermine. They live on blood, and will suffer capture before they will cross any unclean thing. Their fur is for robes of kings, judges, and high officials.

Rev. 16:15, "Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments" (white).

## A WONDERFUL SAVIOR

AUSTINVILLE, Va.—Thank God for His many blessings. I thank Him for giving His own Son to save us from sin. Truly He is a wonderful Savior. He is to us just what we trust Him to be. I thank Him for healing me of two risings in my throat. I couldn't eat nor drink a thing for eight days. One evening as I lay in bed I said, "Lord, why do I have to be in and so much to be done?" Just as I got the words out those risings burst and the Lord healed me. I have not had any more trouble with my throat, for which I praise God. Pray for the complete healing of my mother.—Laura J. Crockett (colored).

## Question Box

**Question:** Please explain to me Matt. 27:32. It has been stated that this man who was forced to carry the cross of Jesus was a Negro man. Is this true?—N. J.

**Answer:** Since the name "Simon" is a contraction of the Hebrew "Simeon," it must be concluded that "Simon the Cyrene" was a Jew. The People's Bible Encyclopedia has this to say, "Simon of Cyrene was a Hellenistic Jew, born at Cyrene on the north coast of Africa, who was present at Jerusalem at the time of the crucifixion of Jesus, either as an attendant at the feast or as one of the numerous settlers at Jerusalem from that place." Meeting the procession that conducted Jesus to Golgotha as he was returning from the country, he was pressed into service to bear the cross when Jesus Himself was unable to bear it longer.

Mark describes him as the father of Alexander and Rufus, perhaps because he was the Rufus known to the Roman Christians, Rom. 16:13, for whom he more specifically wrote.

**Question:** Please explain Rev. 16:12. Who are the kings of the east and what is meant by the waters of the great Euphrates being dried up to make a way for the kings of the east?—W. S.

**Answer:** This verse is self-explanatory. Its fulfillment is yet in the future though similar happenings have been fulfilled in the past. During the invasion of Babylon, while Belshazzar was drinking with a thousand of his lords, we are told that Darius, the king of Media, diverted the channel of the Euphrates river and went through the river bed under the walls of the city to capture it. A similar thing might happen in fulfillment of this prophecy. The kings of the east then were those of Persia and Media. Any kings to the east of Babylon might be termed as kings of the east. The river Euphrates being dried up would make an ideal passage way through the mountains for troops of the east coming over to invade Palestine or Syria.

**Question:** Please explain Matt. 18:18. —Mrs. A. I.

**Answer:** Matt. 18:15-19 gives the discipline of the future Church, that is, the Church which Christ had already prophesied He would establish. Verse 18 cannot be misunderstood by itself. It does set forth that after the other verses have been complied with that God Himself recognizes certain rights of excommunication by the Church. It is clearly set forth that when the Church acts in accordance with God's Word, that the same

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# NOTES From My LETTERS

\*\*\*\*\* J. H. WALKER, General Overseer \*\*\*\*\*

"We have just returned from Indio, Calif., where we set the church in order with ten members, three ministers being in the group. This is a Mexican church



and they are very fine people. I think there will be several more to come in later.

"They have a nice little church building 20 by 40 just about completed. Remember them in your prayers, also pray that God will give us many more new

churches this year.—Yours in His service, I. L. Bengé."

May God continue to bless our people in the Golden West.

## From Lynch, Ky.

Brother E. T. Stacy, pastor, writes:

"Dear Brother Walker, we have just completed a \$2,000 church here at Lynch and have just closed a revival, which was conducted by Rev. T. C. Franklin, in which fifty-five were saved, fifty sanctified, forty-four filled with the Holy Ghost, seventeen baptized in water, seventeen added to the church, one of which is a prospective minister."

Hurrah for Lynch Church of God.

## War, W. Va.

"Dear Brother Walker, our first district convention in West Virginia is now history. We had bad weather but very good success with attendance fair. Our mission offering was \$152.01. Just closed revival at War. There were thirty-five or forty saved, twelve or fifteen filled with the Holy Ghost, and fourteen added to the Church. Sister Christine Hyre, evangelist.—C. H. Blankenship."

## From Maryland

"Just set a new church in order at Iglehart, Maryland. Westernport, Maryland, district convention offering was \$50; orphanage offering, \$28.20."

May the Lord bless you, Brother Milligan, in Maryland.

You have, no doubt, heard the saying, "There is no new thing under the sun," but I think that this one is: Four colored people in Mount Vernon, Indiana, desired membership with the Church of God. There was no church near and, not having enough members to constitute a church

themselves, they desired membership at the general headquarters. Pray that God will increase their number so that they may have a good church established there.

## From South Carolina

I have just received a splendid letter from Brother J. D. Bright, overseer of South Carolina, in which he gives me a peek into the state. I wish that I had room to put his entire letter in the Evangel, but since I do not, I shall try to give you a gist of the information.

"The Lord has been graciously blessing us and success has been attending our efforts, especially in the district convention work."

In spite of sickness and various hindrances, he reports from four of his district conventions the following:

Church	Missions this year	Missions last year
Greenwood	\$59.23	\$53.08
Langley	40.50	36.10
Union	103.83	102.00
Charleston	76.10	42.00
Church	Orphanage this year	Orphanage last year
Greenwood	\$43.44	\$30.74
Langley	41.25	35.00
Union	45.20	30.95
Charleston	56.50	40.48

Thus you can readily see that he has a gain in every one of his district conventions for missions and orphanage. He informs me that they have completed two parsonages since the General Assembly, and states that they are working on their Evangel drive. "A few nights ago," he writes, "we organized a Negro church here in Greenville with fourteen members. Of course, the offerings were not the only items of importance in the conventions. I have never heard better preaching in my life. I know that there are preachers who are better informed but actually the ministers this year have taken their dictionaries and found out what a subject means and then have gone to the Bible and prepared their messages and given them in such a systematic, whole-hearted and inspirational manner that everyone who heard them was greatly benefited. Well, after all, South Carolina surely has some of the best ministers and members in the Church of God. We are sticking to our motto: 'We are laborers together with God.' If there is one bit of confusion in the state between the ministers, I know nothing about it, and so far as that goes, there hasn't been enough trouble in any local church to cause me to feel like complaining. The Lord be praised for all

this peaceful condition that is existing, as well as the success that we are realizing. . . . Brother Osbon says that he has been converted and he acted like a big father and has been working with me this year in such a whole-hearted manner that I am greatly encouraged about the work on that district."

After getting this peek into South Carolina, I wish that I could go over there and take a good look. Wouldn't you? Of course you would.

## Additional District Report From South Carolina

"We had a wonderful district convention at Rock Hill, where Brother Clifford Jenkerson is the district overseer. In fact, in many respects the convention eclipsed the other five that we have held so far this year. The preaching and the services in general were splendid. The mission offering last year was \$60.35, while this year it was \$122.25. The orphanage offering last year was \$20, but this year it was \$64.70. Therefore you see we have exceeded in a marked way the record of last year's district conventions.—J. D. Bright.

## HE DOES ALL THINGS WELL

MT. PLEASANT, Tenn.—Dear saints of God, greetings. I am so happy to know this evening that victory is mine. God so greatly blessed us in so many ways I want to thank Him over and over.

Only a few days ago I was washing on a rub board and struck a needle in some clothes and ran it through my finger, it going in at the knuckle and coming through to the other side. A sister took a pair of pliers and pulled it out. We knelt in prayer, asking God to protect my hand and keep the soreness away, and glory to His dear name, He did not leave one trace of soreness in there, no sign to show where the needle went through. All glory goes to God; He does all things well.

We have a nice \$1,000 church building almost completed. God gets the glory for that. A lady who had been in bed almost three years was prayed for and now she is able to do all her work, she being instantly healed. Another sister hurt her leg badly. We prayed and God rebuked that. Glory to His name. My little girl now has an afflicted knee. I am trusting God to heal her. Pray for her and for God to use us to His glory.—Mrs. B. H. Clark, 202 Columbia Ave.

## Question Box

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is acknowledged in heaven. This does not set forth, however, that all the acts of a local church are so endorsed by the Lord, but only those acts which are in accordance with His will.

## REVIVALS

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keep us humble and striving to do what we can in the short time we feel we have to work in.—J. A. Bixler, pastor, 1316 Shelby St.

SEAFORD, Del.—We have just closed a four weeks' revival and the Lord wonderfully blessed. There were eleven saved, nine sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost and six added to the church. Pray a special prayer for us and our success in the great old Church of God.—Rev. W. M. Patterson, pastor.

LINCOLNTON, N. C.—A revival just closed at the Church of God at Lincolnton, conducted by Earnest Angley of Gastonia, which proved a great blessing. He preached the Word with power and uncompromisingly. God seemed to anoint him for each message. There were eighteen saved, sixteen sanctified, fifteen filled with the Holy Ghost, and thirteen added to the church. The last night of the service there were many in the altar seeking God. Pray that God will help us to get a larger place for worship as the one we now have is too small.—F. H. Collier, pastor, Smyre Sta., Gastonia, N. C.

TRAFFORD, Ala. — We have just closed a glorious revival with Sister Mable Branch doing the preaching. The power of God came down in every service. There were sixteen saved, fifteen sanctified and twelve filled with the Holy Ghost, for which we thank God. We thank Him for Sister Branch; she was a blessing to our church. We are looking for her back soon. We have a good band of saints. The flu hindered in the last week of the revival. Pray for us that God will heal all the sick.—W. E. Crider, pastor.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky.—I praise God for the wonderful revival we have just closed here at Middlesboro with Brother P. W. Myers of Knoxville as evangelist. God surely blessed in a wonderful way. Brother Myers was with us lacking two nights being three weeks. There were three saved, three reclaimed, six sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost. The power of God fell in a wonderful way. The saints of God shouted and danced under the mighty power of the Holy Ghost. Some expressed that this was the best revival Middlesboro has had in several years.

Our district Sunday School and Y. P. E. rally convened at Barbourville February 15, 16. It was more than a success. We raised \$220.60 for the orphans. We thank God for young men like Brother Bridges. This is his second year as state Sunday School and Y. P. E. superintendent and he is doing a good work in Kentucky.—T. M. Basham, local pastor, Corbin district overseer, Rt. 1, Box 229.

SWEETWATER, Tenn. — We praise the Lord for a three weeks' revival in Sweetwater which proved a blessing to many. There were six saved, two sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost and five added to the church. Brother John Black of Cleveland, Tenn., did the preaching the first two weeks. Brother Black surely did some old time preaching. Brother A. J. Swift then took charge of the revival and preached one night but took sick and Brother E. D. Johnson concluded the revival. The revival spirit is still on. Please pray for us in Sweetwater.—R. L. Sifford, pastor.

TAMPA, Fla.—A wonderful revival has just closed at the Tampa Church of God, conducted by Brother J. R. Davis of Calhoun, Ga. He is a real God-sent Church of God evangelist who believes in letting the Holy Ghost have full control of each service. Brother Davis was a real blessing to the Church of God and the entire city of Tampa, Fla. We give him a hearty welcome back to Tampa any time he can come.

We also thank the Lord for our good pastor, Brother G. C. Hamby, and his good wife and family. Brother Hamby is such a Spirit-filled, humble, loving pastor and shepherd over the Tampa Church of God until it seems that we can never let him leave us. The longer he stays, the better we love and appreciate him.

Brother Davis said several times that our revival was the most wonderful spiritual revival he had ever attended. Why? Because we had prayed the Holy Ghost power and fire down on us. Dear saints, let's be faithful just a few more days, months, or years, for it won't be long.—Mrs. Sarah J. Franklin, 3915½ Nebraska Ave.

NEWBERRY, S. C.—We have just closed a three weeks' revival at the Church of God here at Newberry with Brother Carl Cox and wife as evangelists. The saints were encouraged and made to rejoice on account of the presence of the Holy Ghost. God blessed in a wonderful way. Although there was not as great a harvest of souls as we had hoped for, much good was done. The simple gospel story, backed by the Holy Ghost, gained favor with the entire community. Even the merchants of our town were touched deeply by the messages. Many who never before favored the Church of God have been enlightened and are supporting its cause in various ways. We appreciate the interest the people showed in the meeting. We thank the Lord for Brother and Sister Cox. They are faithful workers and they made friends with all they met. We hope if it is God's will they can come back for another revival soon. Three were saved, three sanctified,

three filled with the Holy Ghost and four added to the church. We are expecting others to come in. Pray much for the work here in Newberry.—Mrs. H. G. Brown, Box 233, Lockhart, S. C.

GREER, S. C.—We have just closed another very successful revival here with Brother Thea F. Jones doing the preaching. He is a fine man and a good preacher. There were ninety saved, fifty sanctified, twenty filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-four added to the church, and Brother Jones baptized nineteen in water. We have a fine band of people in Greer and God is blessing us. A little over a year ago we had one hundred members, now we have one hundred and ninety, besides what we have transferred and excluded. We have a net gain of ninety. We have paid off state, local and general obligations and bought two lots and paid for them, also plastered the walls inside the church and painted it inside overhead. We have a good Senior Y. P. E. and Junior Y. P. E., also a good L. W. B.—C. E. McAbee, pastor, Box 242.

TOLEDO, Ohio.—We just closed a revival here with good results. There were about twenty-five saved, eight sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost, eight added to church and five baptized in the icy river. The Sunday School has greatly increased, lacking four being *three hundred per cent*. The people were revived and determined to press on. They have started distributing one hundred *Evangelists* a week. Pray for the work here. Brother D. W. Mills, pastor, is a fine brother to work with. From here I go to Warren, Ohio. Pray for me.—W. T. Truett, 710 Rosedale Dr., Dayton, Ohio.

W. DURHAM, N. C.—We have just closed a two weeks' revival at W. Durham with Rev. James W. Moore doing the preaching. Large crowds attended and people who never had attended came and were carried away with Brother Moore and wife's singing. There were several souls saved and many saints revived. Brother and Sister Moore's coming to W. Durham will long linger in the minds of our people. Come to W. Durham where the fire is burning. We have a good string band and a nice band of young boys. Our pastor, Rev. C. W. Gregory, has been a blessing to W. Durham.—H. G. Neighbors, 917 Spring St.

## TELEGRAM

Charlotte, N. C., district convention greatest convention in the history of the Charlotte district, for which we praise the Lord. Our mission offering was \$307, our orphanage offering was \$91.00.—W. M. Stallings, district pastor.

## CASE OF THIS DYING WORLD

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abound"? A world which lieth in wickedness (John 5:19), of which Satan is the god (John 3:18, 19), need not expect recovery. Jesus gave Himself for us that He might redeem us from "this present evil world" (Gal. 1:4). "Wherefore come out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing, and I will receive you." 2 Cor. 6:17.

This verse, as well as the entire book of God, contains plenteous grace and hope for every believing soul, but not a ray of promise that the world will become better, or that the brotherhood of man shall ever be realized until Christ, the Prince of Peace, shall return to earth again.

The Church shall not be deluded into expecting a new social order in which all wrongs will be righted and in which justice and equity will be the order of the day, without His coming. This fancy dream of the philosopher, beautiful as it is, cannot come true. It is not in the power of man to subdue the fiendish power that enslaves the race and fills the earth with sin, and its attendant evils.

In these perilous days the Church keeps up her courage because of her faith in the coming of her Lord. Let scoffers mock and content themselves with vague dreams of man-made deliverance; we still dare to wait, "Looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." Titus 2:13.

## THE FAMILY ALTAR

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Holy Ghost?" Like Saul of Tarsus on the road to Damascus, I had suddenly met my Master. But unlike him, I did not have to ask "Who art Thou, Lord?" for I knew the power accompanying that question. All barriers were swept away, and with sudden determination, "Like Jacob of old," I decided to wrestle all night, if need be, to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost. And some time between the hours of midnight and 1:00 a. m., I did receive the glorious baptism of the Holy Ghost and came through speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. So why should I not be grateful for a glorious "family altar"?

God says: "My word shall not return unto me void" (Isa. 55:11) for "where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them" (Matt. 18:20). How these two scriptures were verified for husband and me at that time, and what greater reward could come to the family altar than to have been the tarrying place for a soul to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost! "Truly God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean heart" (Psalm 73:1).

## THE TRUMPETER

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of receiving Him and enjoying His blessings as others were, if I would surrender. Thursday night I was really in earnest and the Lord saved and sanctified me. On the following Saturday night the Holy Ghost came in. I had felt, previous to this, that I had no friends in the world and no one seemed to care, but I have found that Jesus is my friend. Bless His name!—Alma Peterson.

I truly thank the Lord for including me in the number of those who received the baptism of the Holy Ghost during this great revival.—Annie Lee Howard.

I received the Holy Ghost last night and I thank God for Him.—Junior W. negar.

I surely thank the Lord for what He means to me. When I came to Bible School I did not have the Holy Ghost but I praise the Lord because I have Him now.—Geneva Phillips.

I thank the Lord that, beyond the shadow of a doubt, I have victory and full assurance in Jesus. Thank God for the Holy Ghost.—Slava Boich.

## A Change in Me

When I started to come on a visit to Bible School last Thursday, I was tempted to stay home. I had something to do every night that week end; but I had promised my brother that I would come to school to see him and so I came. The school revival was going on and I attended services. The first night I was convicted of my sins, but I did not go to the altar. The Lord was surely working with me. The second night I was tempted to stay out of service but those good Holy-Ghost-filled girls persuaded me to go. It was this night that the Lord saved and sanctified my soul. I was to go home on Monday, but the Lord saw fit to keep me here. I missed my bus and was forced to stay. After praying for a while in the altar that night, I arose and stood watching the others getting a wonderful blessing, and especially one certain girl. I said to another girl, "I wish I could get blessed like that." She told me to start praying and I would get the Holy Ghost. I prayed a while, but my throat got dry and I wanted to quit; but they encouraged me on. The Lord began to bless! He came down right there and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire.

I am leaving school an entirely different girl. Pray for me that I may attend Bible School next year and that I may be a blessing for God.—Lola Herndon, Corbin, Ky.

## LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

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tries are only awaiting word to overthrow governments from within. This ap-

pears fantastic, but Hitler, who has been outsmarting the world, has been doing it by fantastic methods. The information, with that which the committee has gathered in raids along the Mexican border, convinces me that Hitler will make a drive on South America immediately if he wins the war in Europe," Dies said. Dies said his committee had found new German organizations in this country and one in Chicago files seized showed "10,000 members each with a number." Dies further stated that, "The American people have not yet awakened to the seriousness of the situation." These news items look very unpleasant in print. However, they are pointing to a very salient fact. The very least interpretation that can be placed on these things is "PERILOUS TIMES."

The week of March 2 to 9 found twenty-three strikes in progress, affecting NATIONAL DEFENSE PRODUCTION ALONE. Hundreds of other labor disorders and strikes were in progress throughout the nation. MARK THESE WORDS: IF LABOR AND PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT FAIL TO COME TOGETHER AND PEACEABLY ADJUDICATE THEIR DIFFERENCES, THERE WILL BE, IN THE NEAR FUTURE, GOVERNMENTAL MACHINERY SET IN MOTION THAT WILL PRECLUDE STRIKES. Pleading constitutional privileges will be of no avail. THE ADMINISTRATION RECOGNIZES NO AUTHORITY BUT ITS OWN. The government cannot afford to allow strikes to impede National Defense.

## MISSION PAGE

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to us the speaker for the evening in the person of Elder C. A. Lewis. He read for a lesson Matt. 16:17-20, took his text from the 19th verse, and preached in our hearing a soul-stirring and inspiring sermon on the words read. "On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand" was sung and Elder H. W. Parris followed in the first speaker's footsteps. "Speak, My Lord" was then sung and Evangelist A. Green took her place as the third speaker, also making an announcement of her farewell service which was to take place the following night at Eckstein's Village. This sermon was closed by a short and encouraging address from our state overseer.

And when all these things were said and done, every single individual stood to his feet and all sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." The benediction was pronounced by our Bishop J. B. Winter and this service came to its close at 10:00 p. m. To God we ascribe all honor, glory and praise.—Yours in the fight, Evangelist R. B. Hawkins, pastor and district overseer; Brother A. E. Lewis, secretary and reporter.



# Notes of Praise

## THE HEALING VIRTUE OF JESUS THE SAME AS IN DAYS GONE BY

On Jan. 25 my husband was taken seriously ill. We prayed but he got no better. We searched our lives to see where the hindrance was. We found we had to get willing to obey and let God have this old temple for His own use. His brother came and sent for the doctor, who pronounced it pneumonia. We prayed all night for him and he is improving. This is the third time he has had pneumonia, but praise God, He still hears and answers prayers. The Lord healed my daughter last August when she got sick at the camp meeting in Lake City. She hasn't had another spell. I praise Him for every blessing of life.—Arminie Harrington, Lake City, Fla.

## WONDERFUL TO KNOW JESUS

BOAZ, Ala.—The Lord saved, sanctified and gave me the Holy Ghost when the doctor said it might take me a year to get well. Every time I went to the doctor I got worse. I called for the saints to come pray for me. I told my husband it didn't do any good to go to the doctor, so I began to pray and ask God to please take me out of my suffering. One day I got a letter from Sister Lawson of Mobile, Ala., and she said she noticed my piece in the paper for prayer and felt led to pray for me. Of course, I felt better to think God had impressed her way down there to help me out. Thank God, I feel lots better and am able to be up to go to church and do many things. Dear saints, I have prayed lots of times for the sick, but I never did know just what suffering was before in my life, so I am more determined to pray more for others. I just laid my case in God's hand and I know it was God who did the work. I thank God for our pastor, Brother Eldridge Green, who will come so far out in the country to pray for us. Pray that my faith may get stronger in God.—Pearlie Hedgepeth, Rt. 4.

## PRAISE GOD FOR KEEPING POWER

PITTSBURG, Kans.—I praise the Lord for what He means to me and how He keeps me. Almost four years ago I was living alone out from town a few miles, but had been coming here to the Church of God for Sunday School and the morning service for more than a year. One morning some close neighbors found me out in the yard hysterical and insane. They sent for my brother, Frank Ralph,

and he came to see me and immediately made arrangements for Brother and Sister Clark to come. They prayed for me, but there was not victory until they prayed again. Then I was healed immediately. I write this for the glory of God.

I am so thankful that they came and prayed for me. The following Sunday I came back to church and received the light on the Church. "The entrance of thy words giveth light, it giveth understanding to the simple," Psa. 119:130. A short time later I was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for my unsaved loved ones and friends. Pray for me to be faithful to the Lord, and for the church here at Pittsburg.—Rosa Ralph, 1013 E. 14th St.

## JESUS MY HEALER

KENVIR, Ky.—I praise the Lord for healing my afflicted body. I was badly afflicted with a deep case of flu, pending pneumonia, my brother in one room and I in the other. The doctor would come to see him every day, sometimes twice a day and the saints would come and pray with me throughout the day. The dear saints of God held on to Jesus as my body was full of misery and pain and I couldn't hold out as I desired. One saint said, "Let us try God out on His Word, for it is true. Everyone who trusts God for his

body, let us fast tomorrow and have 12 o'clock prayer for the healing of our sister's body." Really and truly the saints began that prayer and the Lord stepped in and wonderfully healed me. I immediately got up and began dancing and praising God. Thank God because He is a healer for me. Pray for me.—Sister Zella Francis (colored).

## HEALED OF T. B.

EDEN, Ala.—I praise God today for His great healing power and for the Church of God people. I was in bed four years with T. B. I was turned in a sheet, couldn't sit up and hadn't walked in a long time. Some Church of God people came to see me. They prayed with me and told me about how God could heal. They also sent a request to the Evangel for me. I received many encouraging letters and tracts on healing. Now, praise His name, I am up walking and can work some around the house. I felt like I should testify through the Evangel and thank each one for praying for me. I ask that you keep praying. I need the Holy Ghost.—Miss Rubye Smith.

## HE SUPPLIED OUR NEEDS

WALHALLA, S. C. — I thank the Lord for blessing and supplying our needs during our sickness. Our baby's fever was a hundred and five, but praise God, the fever is gone. It's wonderful how the Lord hears and answers prayer. I am glad I have the love of God in my heart. Pray that the Lord will continue to bless. I can't praise Him enough for what He has done for our family.—Mrs. Fred Long.

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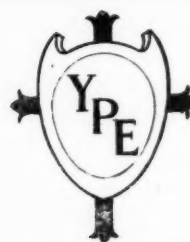
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